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Title: IMMUNIZATION OF DAIRY CATTLE WITH GAPC PROTEIN
AGAINST STREPTOCOCCUS INFECTION

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 19, 2003. Applicants request a one month extension of time from September 19, 2003 to October 19, 2003. A check to cover the Extension Fee is attached.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 2, 52 and 53, without traverse. Applicants note that claims 1, 51, 62, 76 and 77 are considered linking claims and, as specified at page 5 of the Office Action, will be joined with the invention of Group I.

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Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 USC §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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